

To-day's
Advertisements.THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALL.Under the direction of Mr. ROBERT BROUGH.
Representative—Mr. HAMILTON.THIS EVENING.
(FRIDAY) the 18th March, 1898.
Commencing at 9 P.M.BROUGH COMPANY.
THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALL.THIS EVENING AND TO-MORROW
(SATURDAY)
"NIOBE."
"NIOBE."A Mythological Farce Comedy, by
H. & E. PAULTON.MONDAY and TUESDAY,
21st and 22nd March,
"THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING
EARNEST.""THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING
EARNEST.""THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING
EARNEST."

By Oscar Wilde.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,
23rd and 24th March,
"THE SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY."

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By A. W. PINERO.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.
DRESS CIRCLE and ORCHESTRA STALLS \$2
STALLS \$1
FRONT \$1Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half Price
to the Pit only.Doors open 8.15 P.M. Cattle 9 P.M.
Box Plan now open at the ROBINSON Piano
Co.'s Warehouse, where seats can be booked
(and the tickets obtained) six nights in advance.
A Late Train for the Peak will leave each
evening fifteen minutes after the termination
of the performance.

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SCIENTIFIC PALMISTRY.

MRS. JOS. PHA, NATHAN PALMIST and
SCIENTIFIC PALMISTRY can be CON-
SULTED DAILY at the HONGKONG
HOTEL, Room No. 121, between the hours of
10 A.M. to 5 P.M. or by appointment.
Evening parties and at Home
after dark.

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LONDON COLLEGE OF MUSIC.

HIS Honour Sir JOHN W. CARRINGTON,
Kt., C.M.G., has kindly consented to
distribute the CERTIFICATES and PRIZES to
successful candidates on MONDAY, March 21st,
at 4.30 P.M., in the CITY HALL. All interested
in Musical Education are cordially invited to
attend.E. RALPHS,
Local Representative.
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WANTED.

A GOVERNESS. Salary according to qual-
ifications and experience. Apply with
full particulars toS.
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office,
6, Pedder's Hill.
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
from Messrs. Leon Vincent, Con-
sult for Belgium to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION.at his residence 1111 Crescent, FORTIN N ROAD
ON
SATURDAY the 26th March 1898.
Commencing at 3 P.M.A LOT of VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE.(comprising—)
SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH DRAWING
ROOM SUITE, OVERMANTLES with
BEVELLED GLASS, DINING ROOM
TABLE, MOROCCO LEATHER COVERED
DINING ROOM CHAIRS, SIDEBOARDS,
RATTAN TABLES, CHAIRS and other
FURNITURE, WARDROBES with and with-
out GLASS, MARBLE TOP TABLES,
WASHING STANDS, TOWEL RACKS, SIN-
GLE IRON BEDS with SPRING and HAIR
MATTRESSES, SIDE TABLES, WRITING
DESKS, NAMELED WARE, GLASS
WARE, CROCKERY, BATHROOM
and KITCHEN REQUISITES, 1 IRON COOK-
ING STOVE, OIL STOVE etc., etc., etc.ALSO
1 COTTAGE PIANO by KIRCKMANN & Co.,
LONDON purchased from ROBINSON & Co.,
expressly manufactured for this CLIMATE
and in first class condition.1 LADY'S PLUSH SEDAN CHAIR.
Catalogues ready on TUESDAY 22nd inst.
On View from THURSDAY, the 24th inst.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES and HOUGH have
received instructions from the Mort-
gages to sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION.ON
WEDNESDAY, the 20th March 1898,
at 1 o'clock P.M.On the premises in a Lots the following
VALUABLE RECLAMATION PROPERTY,
viz—All the benefit interest and advantage of
the Vendor of and in the Reclamation Agree-
ment of Marine Lot No. 199 so far as relates to
those portions of the work carried out under
such Agreement which are registered in the
Land Office as SECTIONS A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H,
of the RECLAMATION of MARINE LOT
No. 199.The Reclamation in respect of all the above
sections has been completed and is ready for
building purposes and possession has been
given by the Government.Only one half of the last Statement of the
money due under the Reclamation Agreement
remains to be paid and the sale will be propo-
riately subject to this (if called up) and to the
due proportion of the Annual Crown Rent of
\$485 payable in respect of the whole Reclama-
tion.For further Particulars and plan and condi-
tions of Sale
Apply to
Messrs. DEACON & HASTINGS,
25, Queen's Road,
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

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To-day's
Advertisements.DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship"THALES,"
Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above
Ports on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at Day-
light.For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1898. [404]OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
FOR AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"PALINURUS,"
Captain Sawyers, will be despatched on
TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at Daylight.For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1898. [405]NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA,
(FLORIO & RUBATINO UNITED COMPANIES),
STEAM FORSINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.
Having connexion with Company's Mail
Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and
GENOA.ALSO
VENICE and TRIESTE, ALL MEDITERRA-
NEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and
SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to
CALLAO.Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN
GULF and BAGDAD.ALSO
BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE,
ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

"BORMIDA,"
Captain Nera, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at Noon.At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in
VICTORIA DOCK.For Further Particulars regarding Freight and
Passage apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1898. [411]

NOW READY.

A PAMPHLET containing the Series of
Articles by the Telegraph's Special
Correspondent entitled
"HINDRANCES TO THE DEVELOPMENT
OF TRADE IN KWANGTUNG
AND KWANGSI."ALSO
The new TRANSIT PASS RULES, providing for
the sale of goods in route to inland markets.PRICE 10 CENTS PER COPY.
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"
OFFICE.
No. 6, Pedder's Hill,
Hongkong, 18th March, 1898

Intimations.

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COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

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LEMONADE.

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DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MENAGES and
other Large Consumers.Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

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A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

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ALL these are selected by our London
House, bought direct at first hand, imported in
wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all
intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply
the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.PORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at
once it should be ordered to be decanted at
the Dispensary before being sent out.SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest
prices, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are
not artificially made from raisins and
currants, as is generally the case with Cheap
Wines.BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to
be pure Cognac, the difference in price
being merely a question of age and vintage.WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brand,
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY
marked "X" is universally popular, and is
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs
to be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to
be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colon or from our authorized Agents at the
Colon Ports.A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.,
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1898. [3]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1898.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We have received two communications in badly written Spanish, which we can only decipher with difficulty, but will do our best to deal with the request conveyed therein. Mr. Muxico Lopez, a Cuban, asks us to notify that there is at No. 4 Ripon Terrace, Hongkong, an Anarchist centre, in communication with similar concerns in London, Paris and Chicago, and that the object of establishing a branch here is to enlighten all who wish for information as to the true rights and wrongs of the Philippine rebellion. There is something about meetings, but we cannot make it out. He alleges that there are not a few Anarchists in Hongkong, and that the British Government is respected above all, as wise, just, and kind to everybody. Mr. Muxico Lopez is therefore confident that there is no reason for secrecy here, no reason to disguise the love of liberty and justice, nor the hatred of oppression. That is all very well, but Anarchy is not well. We love liberty and hate oppression, as much as any man that ever lived; but we draw the line short of Anarchy. It is the inevitable consequence of tyranny; we dislike the one as much as the other.

We have failed to find in the Manila papers any reference to the recrudescence of the rebellion. *The Diario* however, gives an account of a "feat of prowess in Mindanao," in which four columns of troops, each under a Lieutenant-colonel, co-operating with three gunboats, wiped out half a dozen villages and captured 80 prisoners. This shows what nonsense a censorious press is. Here is the metropolis, Manila itself, surrounded by fierce rebels, who have completely cut off all land communications with the telegraph station, Bolinao; have apparently acquired the mastery of a considerable section of Luzon, and altogether threaten Spanish dominion in the Philippines more seriously than it was ever threatened before; and not a word gets into the papers, while a trumpeting jungle skirmish in the remote and unsettled island of Mindanao is fully detailed and glorified. Such is a censorious press! Nothing but a miserable nation of imbecile worms would tolerate any such absurdity.

On this subject of free speech we feel very strongly, not from professional nor material motives, but from a conviction that freedom of thought is as necessary to the health of the body politic, as is free fresh air to the body physical. Only where there is sturdy independence in the expression of opinion, can there be wholesome institutions and sound progress. The history of every nation shows this from the days of the Judges in Israel, when Samuel suffered for his condemnation of corruption, and Rehoboam resented honest criticism and sage counsels, down to the days when Spain is decaying and Germany and Russia are seething with seditious conspiracies of misguided malcontents. The criticising of faults is almost always unwelcome to the person criticised; but woe to the land that is ruled by people with power to repress criticism. We English are phlegmatic, unemotional, slow to anger, slow to strike; but we killed one king, banished another, and treated others most unpleasantly, for flying in the face of public opinion. We lost the finest colonies in all the world, for committing the same blunder ourselves, and the British race is divided for ever, because we resented opposition when we felt sure we were right. We paid dearly for the lesson; we paid more than Spain or Rome, more than any other nation ever could pay, for there never was nor could be a mightier country than the United States.

That is why, not for personal nor professional nor racial reasons, but for the sake of Germany herself, we do our humblest to discourage muzzling of the press in Germany. In any country it is injurious; and the Germans are our brothers. If we contribute our modest mite to help them, at a moment when the Emperor's brother is our guest, we do so in the hope of doing good, directly or indirectly, and with no other motive. There are some who accuse us of bad taste; on matters of taste we consider it useless to argue. There are some who call us scurrilous; on that, also, we have nothing to say. There is none who can call us untruthful or unjust; and if any unkindness or personal soreness results, it is caused not by us but by circumstances outside of our control. Any man who chooses to make war on the press must take the consequence, and the German Emperor would bear himself with greater dignity if, instead of petulantly imprisoning honest and patriotic gentlemen, he would recognise their honesty and patriotism.

It is nobler for a man who makes mistakes to say, as Prince HENRY says, "I made a public speech once in my life, and I am convinced it was not a success." That is the utterance of a man who is not afraid to recognise the truth. And it is a man who, by a curious coincidence, does not meet with scathing criticisms; he is everywhere described as a very sensible, unassuming, frank and generous man, an ideal prince in fact. It would certainly appear that his "unsuccessful" speech was hardly more than a slip of the tongue in a moment of unusual enthusiasm, and it would have been probably passed over without much adverse comment, but for the fact that the Emperor is so fond of war as to wage incessant warfare against the press, and the press therefore has no option but war to the knife. If the conflict is

casualty injures His Majesty's brother or the Germans as a nation, it is regrettable, and nobody can regret it more than ourselves.

It is also to be regretted that the Emperor's meddlesome message to the President of the Transvaal is still causing evil results. Reuter to-day telegraphs that the Boers are preparing to take advantage of Britain's foreign entanglements, to repudiate British suzerainty. Now, we do not deny that the Germans on the whole are very friendly to Britain, whether from sentiment or interest; we do not say that the memorable message from the Kaiser to President Kruger on the defeat of the Jameson raid was intended in any spirit of hostility to Great Britain; and we fully admit that the raid itself was worthy of condemnation. But the fact remains, that the message did greatly encourage the Anti-British sentiment in South Africa to a dangerous and injurious extent, whether so intended or not. What wonder, therefore, that the Kaiser's peculiar proclivity for injudicious utterances should be criticised by the British press? The criticisms are not national, not aimed at Germany, but purely personal, aimed at the one man who, we feel sure, is not so unfriendly to us as he makes himself appear.

The news about the Boers is not really serious. Britain is not in any "entanglements," but is less isolated than at any time this decade. It is not that we are loved on our merits, but that for selfish reasons we frame our policy so as to give as little offence as possible, and the Powers are beginning to see that. From time to time there is an alarm of war, based on little or nothing, and exaggerated as much as possible by speculators on the bourses, solely for the sake of running the market quotations down and up again. It has been the custom as long as there have been such things as Consols. It has enriched the English language by one proverb, seldom fully understood nowadays—"Queen Anne is dead." This is not merely a hint that a report is stale news, but that it is falsely alarmist; the death of Queen Anne was likely to lead to a war over the succession to the Throne, and so the market-riggers circulated false reports. The reports of trouble between Spain and the United States, Britain, and Russia, and so on, may have had a slight substratum of possibility, but have certainly been greatly exaggerated. Queen Anne is only indisposed.

In case war should break out—which is not quite impossible, of course, however optimistically we minimise the possibility—it is reassuring to see that something is at last to be done for the defence of Hongkong. When the only big fleet out here was the British, and the only garrisons in Asia were our own; when transport of troops was slow, and guns could not carry further than from Tamto to Lyceomoon; in those days, our frontier was satisfactory and our sea approaches were safe. But all that is changed now, and Hongkong is far from secure. The docks, arsenal, stores, and anchorage cannot be protected unless the fortifications are carried further afield. The land approaches cannot be held without a very much larger land force, enough to cover the country with skirmishing lines. Let the Navy League not cease its exertions.

REUTER'S MESSAGE.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE
TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, March 16th.

Strong indications exist that the Transvaal is prepared to profit by the British entanglements in Europe to repudiate the suzerainty of Great Britain. President Kruger speaking in the Volksraad said that the Burgers must stand together as no one knew what might happen. He said that he had replied to Mr. Chamberlain's despatch concerning the British suzerainty and that the reply would show that the Transvaal was a Government.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Edgar* returned from Bol'neo to-day.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.67 per £.

THE Volunteers' Annual Carbine Competition takes place at Kowloon ranges to-morrow, commencing at 11 A.M.

Two Chinese traders for having false weights were to-day prosecuted by Inspector Duncan and fined \$15 and \$5 respectively.

Messrs. E. S. Joseph and F. Smyth were fined \$1 each to-day for neglecting to attend as jurors at an inquest in the Gaol on the 16th inst.

Two American bluejackets faced the Magistrate to-day charged with kicking up a row in the Grill Room. One was fined \$5 and the other \$3.

Two Naval Dockyard coolies were to-day sent to gaol for twenty-eight days each for stealing copper, screws and bolts the property of the Government.

FOX stealing fourteen pieces of board Comdr. Hastings to-day gave a couple fourteen days to the Mr. May's big hotel. We had no idea that the worthy Acting P.M. was so subtle a humorist.

MR. G. C. Anderson will read a paper entitled "The Corrosion of Iron and Steel and its Cause," at a meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong to-night at 9 o'clock. Visitors are cordially invited.

INSPECTOR Robinson to-day prosecuted fifteen men for being in a gambling house in Kennedy Street. The two principals were fined \$500 and two months and the remainder were ordered to pay \$5 each or go to gaol for fourteen days.

FOR running a morphine-injection "joint" in Sai Yuen Lane, a Chinese steward found himself to-day called upon to pay \$15 or go to prison for three months.

LAM OW, pleaded guilty at the Criminal Sessions to-day to the theft of a gold ring belonging to Lieut. Rendle, R.E., his master. Prisoner expressed contrition for his crime and his Lordship sentenced him to eight months' hard labour.

A MEETING of Members of the Gymkhana Committee will be held to-morrow, Saturday, at noon, at the Club. Business—to appoint an Honorary Secretary and arrange programmes for the coming season. Gentlemen interested are invited to attend.

TO-MORROW afternoon on the Happy Valley on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club G. Company, K.O.R. will play H.M.S. *Centurion* in the semi-finals for the Hongkong Football Challenge Shield. Kick-off at half-past four. Referee—Mr. J. W. L. Oliver.

Mrs. North, the celebrated phenologist and scientific painter, who was mentioned in these columns a few days ago, arrived this afternoon, and is staying at the Hongkong Hotel (Room 134) where she will be pleased to receive visitors and give them a mass of wonderful information.

THE Manila ration, Pedro Billar, charged with stabbing a competitor in a gambling row, particulars of which we have already reported, was placed on trial at the Criminal Sessions to-day before his Lordship the Chief Justice. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Choi Chai Mei \$25
Yong Tait Sam 10
Ko Cheuk Sing 5

A CRICKET match between the H. K. Cricket Club and the Navy will be begun to-morrow at noon and resumed on Monday at 2 p.m.

The following are the teams:—Club—J. A. Lawson, F. Lammer, G. D. Campbell, H. S. Mobley, W. A. L. Leithbridge, E. Mast, Rev. G. R. Vallings, Capt. Dyson, Capt. Longhorne, F. H. Kew and A. Mackenzie. Navy—Lt. Perry, Ayscough, H. Edwell, Allison, Balbridge, Surg. Reid, Lt. Shefford, Lt. Gillett, J. F. A. Hastings, A. N. Other, A. N. Other.

THE Criminal Sessions opened to-day and the Supreme Court was thronged with a cosmopolitan assemblage of jurors who looked as if they were tired to death of the whole thing. The first case to-day was that of seven men charged with robbery. The prisoners were undressed and the Attorney General (Hon. W. M. Goodman) instructed by Mr. H. L. Denny, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. After a quantity of evidence, similar to that taken at the Police Court, had been given, His Lordship the Chief Justice summed up. He traversed the evidence most exhaustively and carefully, dealing with the traces of guilt as attaching to five of the prisoners, the other two having pleaded "guilty," and generally he reviewed the evidence for and against each prisoner in a very minute manner. The first prisoner was sentenced to eight years' hard labour, the second to six years, third to seven years, fourth to six years, fifth, sixth and seventh to two years each. The jury found the second and third prisoners guilty on all counts and the fifth and sixth were found guilty of receiving. No. 7 prisoner was also found guilty of receiving.

MISS May Smith and Allie Wilkes had a pretty little quarrel a few days ago at No. 3, Gage Street and the result was that May "cut" Allie on two successive days and has to pay \$15 for her *femesa*. It seems that on the afternoon of the 15th inst. the fair ones had a dispute and the "lie direct" flew through the air. Miss May knocked Allie down and jumped on her. Next day the dainty belle's friends went to it again. Complainant refused to take back something she had said and "blf" half "was the order of the day. Complainant said defendant knocked her off her chair and jumped on her stomach and then beat her on the face and shoulders. Defendant told his worship that when complainant came first to her room and made a fuss she took her by the throat and threw her out. On the second day she said that there was further trouble and she took complainant by the throat and slapped her face on either side with her right hand. There was a good deal of the usual twang in both ladies' speech that came as a welcome change after the guttural of the Cantonese and the police officers put on their party manners while the case was in progress. Capt. Hastings found the fair May to be the aggressor and he fined her \$15, which she paid up "like a man."

A few days ago, three Americans, apparently of the respectable globe-trotter class, spent a festive evening at a well-known hostelry in Queen's Road, Hongkong, where they seemed to have dined "not wisely but too well." To quote the old love-song. About chucking-out time they emerged, holding each other up in the good old-fashioned "United-we-stand-divided-we-fall" style, yelling something which may have been *Hail, Columbia* or may have been a *Harvard* college war-whoop. Then they unanimously resolved to return to their ship the *Coplie*. So they propped each other up, on the curb, peering bibulously across Queen's Road, and yelled "Sampan!" The ricksha coolies gathered round, and modestly murmured "Sh!" To this young America responded in trio "Sampan ahoi!" And the echo came back from the shop across the street, but no Sampan. It wasn't even raining, much less pouring, heavily enough to float a boat in the road. But it was a wet night in America. At last some kind Christian friend came out from the bar behind them, and broke it to them gently but firmly that they were miles away from the harbour yet and would do best to halt (kissed) instead. Columbia bellowed accordingly.

MR. Alfred Feltham, ward master and acting compounder at the Government Civil Hospital, was found dead on a couch in his quarters, by his boy, yesterday afternoon. Deceased, who was about 25 years of age, had at one time served in the Army Medical Corps, and he was a familiar figure at all sports gatherings in the colony. It is not known yet whether an enquiry will be held regarding the sad event.

At the Theatre Royal last night the performance of "The Case of Rebellious Susan" was repeated before another of the very large audiences which usually characterise the performances of the Brough Comedy Company. The Company has made a very good impression on Hongkong playgoers and the support it receives is well-earned and highly deserving. Seldom has a theatrical company been appreciated and admired to such an extent as the Brough's which only proves the very true saying that everything good has its price. To-night this talented Company will produce "Niobe," a mythological farce comedy by H. and E. Paulton, which will be repeated to-morrow, and "The Importance of Being Earnest," an undoubtedly brilliant piece by Oscar Wilde, is on the boards for Monday.

BITTER, lanky was in on between the old and new Japanese journalism of San Francisco. One phase of it developed lately at the Central Police Station in the arrest of Miss Dillon, managing editor of the *San Francisco Japan Herald*, and H. M. Takahashi, managing editor of *Agoshima*, on charges of having criminally libelled Miss Viola A. Dillon, who holds down the city editor's desk on the *Chrysanthemum*. The warrants for Malice and Takahashi were issued from Police Judge Lowe's court on Miss Dillon's complaint. There is a third warrant out against Biogo Washino, who acts as foreman of the proofroom on the *Agoshima*. Three months ago Miss Dillon, who talks and reads Japanese like a native, was employed as associate editor of the *Japanese American Voice*. This newspaper was then somewhat backward in the matter of circulation. At Miss Dillon's suggestion the name was changed to the *Chrysanthemum*. It was then a sensational appearance and tone, which soon increased its circulation. The straws of the *Chrysanthemum* did not take this change in good part. On February 1st there appeared in the pages of the *San Francisco Japan Herald* and *Agoshima* cartoons which represented Miss Viola A. Dillon in an unfavorable light. The accompanying "roasts" were even worse than the pictures. Wherefore, in her professional and personal defense, Miss Dillon is proceeding criminally against the editors of the offending newspapers.

THE experts of the United States Ordnance Department at Washington have under consideration a new gun that is expected to revolutionise the gentle art of cannon making. The difficulty encountered by the makers of heavy ordnance has always been that when constructing a gun to be used for firing the powerful charges used in these days it has been impossible to guarantee that the explosion will not damage the gun so as to render it useless. The claim is made for the new gun, which has been invented by Edwin F. Blood of Chicago, that it is indestructible. The most interesting feature of the gun to those who are not experts in the matter of force exerted by exploding powder on metal is that the cannon is constructed in such small sections that it can be carried around by the millinery men who use it. It can be taken apart and put together again in an amazingly short time, and when ready for firing, according to the claims of the inventor, it is the strongest cannon ever invented. The gun is constructed in sections made of rolled steel discs, carbonized to the desired degree. Each section is V-shaped and of a size to match the central steel tube, which is forced into place throughout its length by hydraulic pressure. The sections are held immovably together by means of steel rods, which are bolted on cross heads at each end. The largest and heaviest part of the gun is the central tube of thin steel containing the bore. When the inner tube expands with the heat it is only clamped the closer in the embrace of the steel rings, which take up the heat. In case the inner barrel is powder burned or its rifling impaired it can be quickly removed and a new one supplied, making practically a new gun. The vast advantage of the gun lies in the feature which permits it to be quickly knocked down, shipped in sections of moderate weight to any desired location, and again quickly assembled.

SINKING OF THE "KIANGNING."

The finding of the Court of Inquiry into the sinking of the *Kiangning* at Shanghai, held at the instance of the Shanghai Tientsin is as follows:—We are of opinion that the *Kiangning* sank through being so deeply laden that she took in water over her governing board, all which found its way through the rotten deck near the water closets into the after hold; and though, according to the evidence, she was upright when the last of the cargo was taken on board, the weight of the water accumulating there must have brought a strain upon the lines by which she was moored to the *C. S. Bennett* which latter vessel was very high out of water, and this strain must have had a tripping effect, which explains why the *Kiangning* was heeled over, and why she was first discovered that she was sinking. It is through the quarter deck near the engine room, through the doors above the main deck, there was no possibility of saving the vessel from sinking.

As to the responsibility for the sinking of the *Kiangning*, we consider that it rests solely with her master, Charles Peterson, and that it was due to an entire absence of such careful and intelligent supervision over her loading as it was his duty to have maintained.

Court Inspectors had Harbour President.

J. R. P. PARKER, Surveyor to H.M.R. Registry.

JOHN WATSON, Marine Superintendent China Navigation Co., Ltd.

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Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
IZUMI MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA PORTS), and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 22nd March, at Noon.
KANAGAWA MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 23rd March, at 4 P.M.
*YAMASHIRO MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MONDAY, 28th March, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 1st April, at 4 P.M.

(Connecting at KOBE with S.S. YAMAGUCHI MARU sailing on the 5th April for SEATTLE, U.S.A.)

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A. S. MIHARA,

Hongkong, 17th March, 1898.

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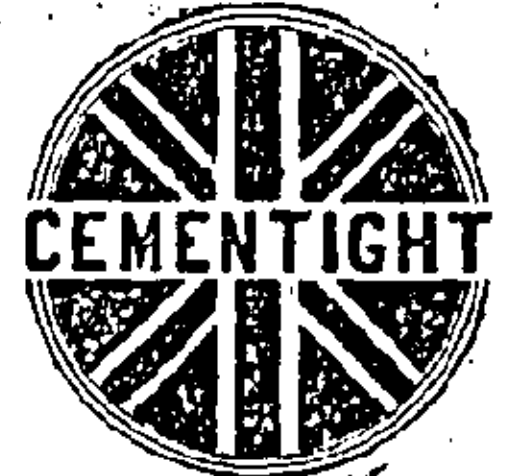
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Captain L. Brück, will leave for the above places TO-MORROW, the 19th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SANDER WIELER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1898. [38]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PATROCLOS,"
Captain Dickens, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 19th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1898. [36]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA,"
Captain Nodder, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 20th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1898. [40]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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(Taking Cargo at through rates for LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)

THE Company's Steamship

"OPACK,"
Captain J. Berber, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight, &c., apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1898. [29]

FOR SINGAPORE PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR,"
Captain Fey, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 22nd inst., at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID S. SMOON, SONS & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1898. [39]

MOGUL-WARPAK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GHAZZE,"
Captain Bailey, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 22nd March.
S.S. "LENNOX" about 12th April.
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S.S. "ENERGIA" about 5th May.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1898. [63]

HAMBURG AMERICA LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANDALUSIA,"
Captain Schroeter, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 24th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1898. [39]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"
Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 20th instant, at 3 P.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.
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N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN and AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1898. [36]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DARDANUS,"
Captain Gregory, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 23rd inst.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1898. [40]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENALDER,"
Potter, Master, will be despatched as above on or about the 5th April.
To be followed by
S.S. "CLAVERHILL," on or about 19th April.
S.S. "MERIONETHSHIRE," on or about 3rd May.
S.S. "QUEEN MARGARET," on or about 17th May.
S.S. "ST. NINIAN," on or about 31st May.
S.S. "CRAIGEARN," on or about 14th June.
For Freight, &c., apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1898. [37]

Mails.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

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THE Steamship

"BENGAL,"
Captain L. M. Wilmer, R.N.R. carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., TO-MORROW, the 19th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.
Silk and Valerables, all Cargo for France and Test for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.
For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1898. [5]

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

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N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Bayern Wednesday | 30th March.

Prins Heinrich Wednesday | 17th April.

Frisian Wednesday | 25th May.

Sachsen Wednesday | 22nd June.

Bayern Wednesday | 20th July.

Prins Heinrich Wednesday | 17th Aug.

Darmstadt Wednesday | 14th Sept.

Frisian Wednesday | 12th Oct.

Sachsen Wednesday | 9th Nov.

Bayern Wednesday | 7th Dec.

Prins Heinrich Wednesday | 4th Jan. '99.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1898, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "BAYERN," Captain E. Prhn, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE AND CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 28th instant. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 30th inst. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 25 lb. and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1898. [34]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Columbia | 2,605 | A. Gow April 5.

Tacoma 2,549 | A. Dixon April 26.

Victoria | 3,167 | J. Truebridge May 17.

Olympia | 3,691 | T. H. Dobson June 7.

ALSO FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Mogul 3,654 | W. H. Wright Mar. 29.

Argyll 2,907 | W. Ward May 3.

Bramar 3,601 | E. Porter May 24.

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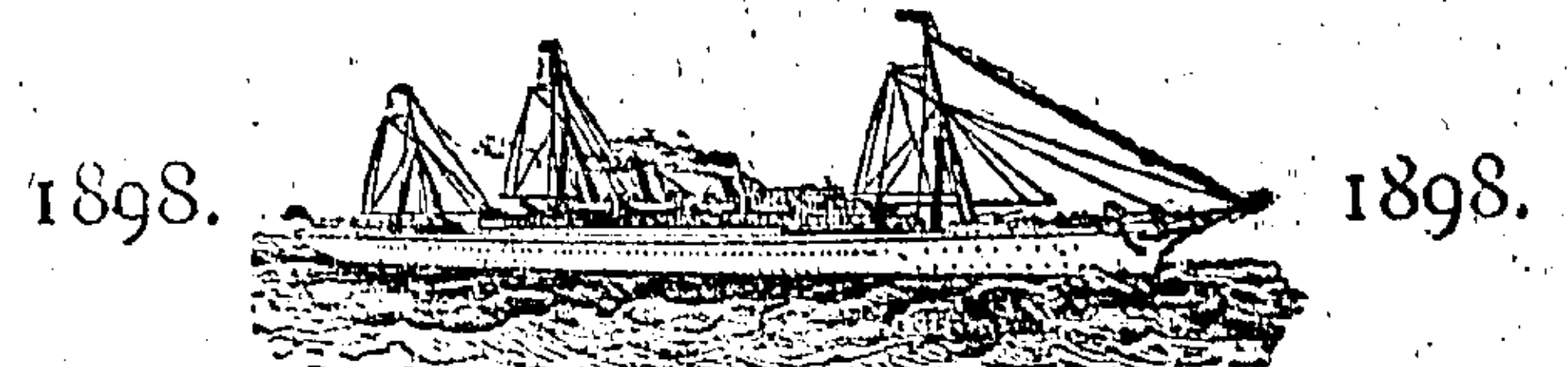
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For further information apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., General Agents.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1898.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 6th April, 1898.

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1898.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 18th May, 1898.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1898.

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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Galle (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Thursday, 31st March, at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Tuesday, 10th April, at Noon.

Belgie (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Tuesday, 10th May, at Noon.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"GAELIC,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 31st March, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 2/6 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1898. [2]

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PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

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AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1898. [39]

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Wednesday, 23rd Mar., at Daylight.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 9th April, at Noon.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 30th April, at Noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, at Daylight, taking States, and Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1898. [1]

SAILING VESSEL.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE British Barque

"WEST YORK,"
W. L. Foster, Master, will leave here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1898.